much as they appear to him to be worth, and so they work with an eye to this valuation rather than to their own self-satisfaction. We know vanity only In Its most weakened forms, In its Idealisations and Its small doses, because we live in a late and very emasculated state of society. Originally vanity is the great utility, the strongest means of preservation. And indeed vanity will be greater, the cleverer the Individual, because an Increase In the belief In power is easier than an Increase in the power itself, but only for him who has intellect or (as must be the case under primitive conditions) who Is cunning and crafty.

182.

WEATHER-SIGNS OF CULTURE.—There are so few decisive weather-signs of culture that we must be glad to have at least one unfailing sign at hand for use in house and garden. To test whether a man belongs to us (I mean to the free spirits) or not, we must test his sentiments regarding Christianity. If he looks upon Christianity with other than a critical eye, we turn our backs to him, for he brings us impure air and bad weather. —-It is no longer our task to teach such men what a sirocco wind is. They have Moses and the prophets of weather and of enlightenment* If they will not listen to these,
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183.

THERE is A PROPER TIME FOR WRATH AND PU-Ni.SLi..MEXT.—Wrath and punishment are our In-

* In the German *Aufkl&rung* there is a play on the sense "clearing up" (of weather) and "enlightenment"—TR.